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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

This communication is being filed in response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.